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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

The applicant for the above-referenced application petitions the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office to extend the time for reply to the Office Action dated June 22, 2006 for three (3) months from September 22, 2006 to December 22, 2006.

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